

legalise the use of gaming machines by licensing operators, with resulting revenue gains through license fees and taxation of monies invested. The licensed operation of gaming machines is the subject of State legislation and regulation. This regulation most always dictates a minimum percentage payout for a gaming machine. For example, a minimum of 85% of monies invested must be returned as winnings, and manufacturers of gaming machines therefore must design their machines around these regulatory controls.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2, 4, 5, 12, 13, 30, 39, 43, 46, 48, 49, 56, 57, 62, 74, 83 and 87 and amend claims 1, 8, 15, 16, 17, 21-29, 31-38, 40-42, 45, 52, 59-61, 65-73, 75-82, 84-86 and 88 as shown in the appendix in mark-up form and in clean form herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please accept the following claims in re-written "clean" format.

1. (Amended) A gaming console comprising a display means, and game control means arranged to control images displayed on the display means, the game control means being arranged to play a first game displayed on the display means and, if a winning combination results, the console pays a prize, the console being characterized in that the game control means comprises a dynamic game feature whereby a feature game occurs upon a first trigger condition of the first game, and wherein a second trigger condition influences one or more gameplay aspects of the feature game such as to alter the likelihood of occurrence of at least one possible outcome of a set of possible outcomes of the feature game.